

PICTURE SCRAPBOOK

PART 1

115 ATU RCAF

El Arish Marina

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The Marina was the name of the 115 ATU Quarters on the Mediterranean just outside the Egyptian town of El Arish. The Camp was not a new one but was reputed to be a rest camp dating back to WW1 –with the trees which you see in some pictures reputed to be eucalyptus trees planted by Australians (??)

The Camp was first guarded by Swedish soldiers but when I was there in 1964 1965 guards were Yugoslav.

Below are pictures of the Marin accommodation grounds – I will put titles on each picture later – right now it is meant as a scrapbook before pictures get lost.

There are a few of El Arish airport at the end –the airport was a WW2 – possibly WW1 – and was 10 miles inland



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Moving to El Arish from Abu Suweir 1957



Aerial view of Marina looking from sea inland











Some local ladies on road from Marina to airport





The “grounds” in front of HQ building within Marina



Above taken before sun screen was even invented and tanning was |
OK –and one of the few things to do!







View between Marina and the sea



Note the Simpson Sears Department store sign added to roof !!



Workers going home



The Officers Mess for eating!



Gord Jenkins with Indian Army pants and locally made desert boots



The Cook and I outside the Officers Mess



Another view looking out “the wire” towards the beach-note railroad tracks



The PX and Library – both sparse !



Above my faithful Citroen purchased from departing French troops on Canal

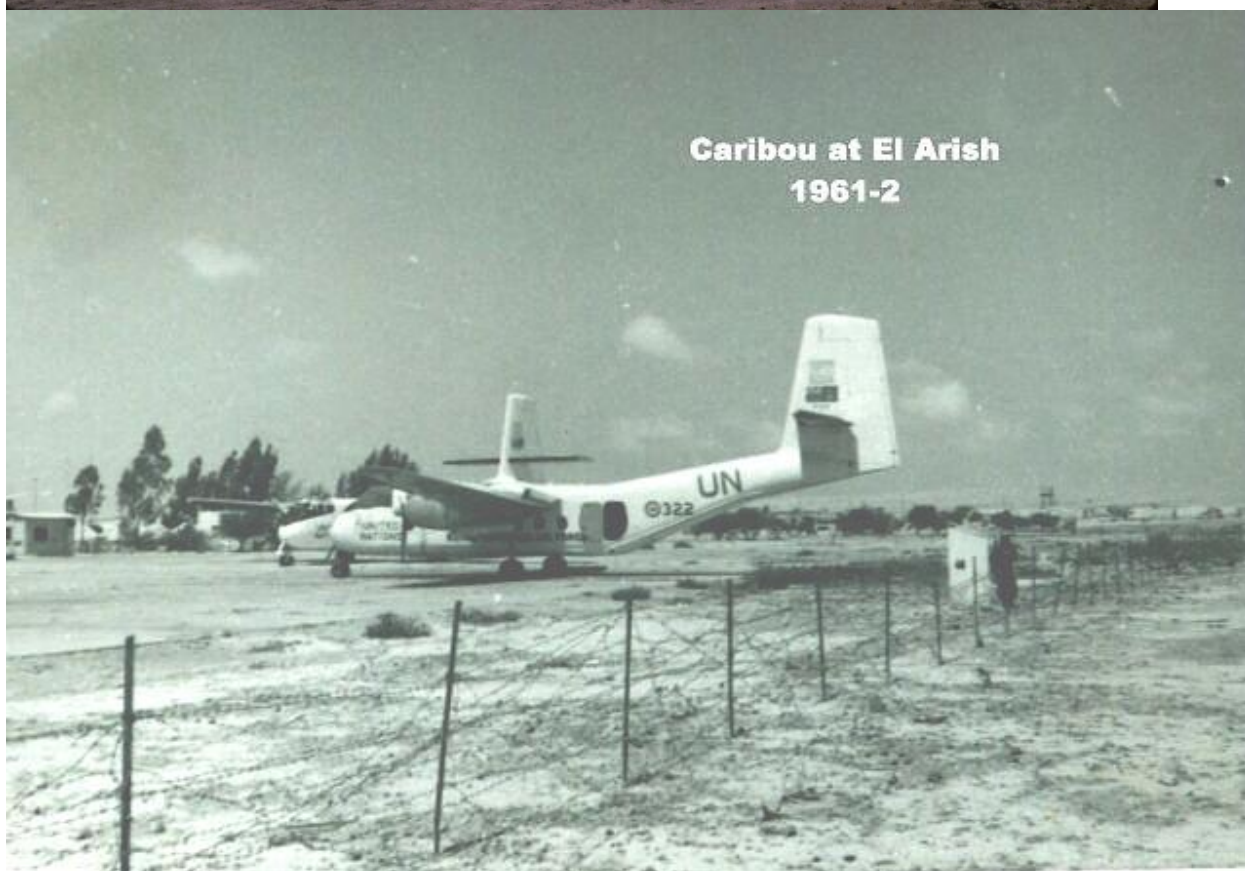


The evening movie a very important part of our boring life



Downtown El Arish







Pictures above and below taken at El Arish airport –which was 7 km or 10 miles inland







**Hangar at
RCAF El Arish 1962**

